

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 03-6929**

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JAMES ANTHONY MCNALLY, JR.,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent - Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, at Baltimore. Walter E. Black, Jr., Senior District Judge. (CA-02-120-B)

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Submitted: December 19, 2003

Decided: February 12, 2004

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Before WIDENER, LUTTIG, and TRAXLER, Circuit Judges.

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Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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James Anthony McNally, Jr., Appellant Pro Se. Paul Michael Cunningham, OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, Baltimore, Maryland, for Appellee.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.  
See Local Rule 36(c).

PER CURIAM:

James Anthony McNally, Jr., previously appealed the district court's order denying relief on his 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (2000) motion. We denied a certificate of appealability and dismissed the appeal. See United States v. McNally, No. 03-6837 (4th Cir. Sept. 24, 2003) (unpublished). McNally now appeals from the district court's denial of his motion for a certificate of appealability filed in that court. Because we have previously determined that McNally has failed to provide grounds meriting a certificate of appealability, it is the law of the case. Christianson v. Colt Indus. Operating Corp., 486 U.S. 800, 815-16 (1988); United States v. Bell, 5 F.3d 64, 66-67 (4th Cir. 1993). Thus, we affirm the district court's denial of McNally's motion for a certificate of appealability. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

AFFIRMED